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NEW-YEAR's GIFT,

FOR THE

New-Interest FREEHOLDERS:

O R,

A short CATECHISM,

WHEREBY

The VOTERS of the NEW-INTEREST may
be readily instructed to give a full and
proper Account of themselves and their
Principles.



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A P P R O B A T I O N.

I HAVE carefully perus'd the following *Catechism*, and do find it, in every Article, agreeable to the Sentiments and Conduct of our Party, and do therefore recommend it (preferably to all other *Catechisms* whatsoever) as proper to be had in all Families of the *New-Interest*.

B—— C——,
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THE. TWISTER.



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NEW-YEAR'S GIFT, &c.

Quest. O F what Party are You?

Answ. I am a *New-Interest* Man.

Q. What do you mean by the Words *New-Interest*?

A. I mean, in the first Place, a thorough Belief in the D. of M. as the greatest Man, the *wisest* Man, the *wittiest* Man, and the most *prudent* Man breathing. I believe him to have all the Merit of the County of *Oxford* center'd in himself, and consequently that he alone hath the Right of nominating the Representatives of the said County in *Parliament*.

Q. Who is the D of M.

A. The D. of M. is fourfold. He is Mr Pel—m, and Mr R —ves, the D. of B—d—d, and Mr B—cher.

Q. Do you not believe that, as a *Freeholder*, you have a Right of thinking, and acting for yourself?

A. No. I know, and have been taught, by the Chiefs of my Party, that I am a *Brute*, and therefore cannot think, and consequently can have no Right to act for myself.

Q. What Religion are you of?

A. I am no *Papist*.

Q. You tell me what *Religion* you are not of. Pray do you profess any *Religion* of your own?

A. Not to be a *Papist* is *Religion* enough for a *New Interest* Man. I never thought any farther on that Subject.

Q. Do you frequent any Place of Divine Worship?

A. If I have nothing else to do I go to the Church in the Morning, and to the *Meeting* in the Afternoon; or, if the *Ale-House* be more convenient, I go to neither.

Q. What are your Notions of the *Constitution of England*?

A. The *Constitution of England* (as I have read in old Books) consisteth of a *King*, a *House of Lords*, and a *House of Commons*.

Q. You have said right. And what are your Notions of each of these Parts? And first of a *King*, as you *bappen'd* to name him first?

A. A *King* is a Thing, which if it happen to be in the *Old Interest*, ought to have its Head cut off, and, after that, will make a very good King for the *New Interest*, such an one

one having no use for a Head at all, as all his Business may be transacted by a Creature call'd a *Prime Minister*.

Q. What are your Notions of a *House of Lords?*

A. A true *New Interest House of L——ds* is begot by the *K—g*, upon the *House of C——ns*, and is completely of the *New Interest Stamp*, when the Father hath any *Seminal Weaknesses* upon him, and the Mother thoroughly corrupted with the *Foul Disease*. The Issue will then be of the genuine *Green* and *Yellow* Cast, and will have nothing of the *True Blue*, or *Old English Ruddy* in its Complexion.

Q. Now give me your *New Interest Account* of the *House of C——ns*.

A. A *New Interest House of C——ns* is begot by the *Prime Minister* upon the Dregs of the People, I mean, such as inhabit those great Repositories of *Ministerial Spawn*, the Boroughs of *Wilts* and *Cornwall*. This hopeful Child, after being brought up to Town, lives in an incestuous Intercourse with its own Father for seven Years together ; at the End of which, the Fruit of their Amours will be found to be a blessed Brood of *Land-Taxes*, *Malt-Taxes*, *Salt-Taxes*, *Window-Taxes*, &c. &c. *Excises*, *Votes of Credit*, *Standing-Armies*, *German Subsidies*, *Acts to incumber and prevent Matrimony*, and for the *Naturalization of Jews and Foreigners*; that is,

is, Laws to hinder the *Propagation* of Christianity, and to encourage the Growth and Importation of *Judaism and Infidelity*.

Q. Do you believe that these Effects of *New Interest Management* are right, and just, and beneficial to the Nation?

A. I do not think myself concer'd to enquire, whether they are right, and just, and beneficial to the Nation. It is sufficient for me that I am convinc'd that they are necessary to the Support of the *New Interest*, and that I shall get more into my own Pocket by That, (if my *Gossip Lady Sue* keeps the Vow she made to me at my Entrance into the Party) than I can possibly get, in my Station, by any Management, howsoever just and right, and beneficial to the Community in general.

Q. You have mention'd, once or twice, a *Prime Minister*. Pray what sort of Creature do you take him to be?

A. A *Prime Minister* is the very Heart of a *New Interest Constitution* or System of Government, as he is the chief Spring of the *Circulation of the Blood* through it.

Q. What do you mean by the *Circulation of the Blood*?

A. The Blood of a *New Interest System* of Government is *Money*. The *Prime Minister* gives Motion and Circulation to it. As thus: He receives the Money from the Purse of the Nation. He then disperseth it among the

the People, or those Dregs of it we have before mention'd. These in return, present him with a *House of Commons* after his own Heart, which serves as a *Pump*, the Prime Minister *holding the Handle*, to draw the Money up again from the People, and this he catches in four several Buckets ; the first of them he empties into his own Cistern ; the second he presents to the *King* ; the third he sprinkles among the *Lords* and *Commons*, and the fourth he throws down again among the People, to give Spirit and Success to the next *Pumping*.—Or, in other Words, he is the Corrupter of the People, the incestuous Debaucher of the *House of Commons*, and the Pimp and Pander to the *King* and the *House of Lords*.

Q. Are you provided with *Candidates*, for the next Election, who are well furnish'd and instructed in these Principles ?

A. Extremely so. For, as *Bribery* and *Corruption* may be call'd the Compendium of a *New Interest* Man's Faith and Practice, it would be difficult to say which of our *two little Heroes* seems likely to prove the greater Proficient. The only Difference to be observ'd at present, is, that as one of them is possess'd of these valuable Qualifications by *Hereditary Right*, the other hath made a most extraordinary Progress in them by his own *natural Abilities*.

Q. What

Q. What is your Opinion of their Antagonists L—W— and Sir J—D—?

A. They are *Papists* and *Jacobites*.

Q. Why do you give them such severe Names?

A. Because they are Friends to the Church, and Constitution of *England*; Defenders of the Rights and Liberties of the People; Lovers of Honour and Independency; Consistent in their Characters and Conduct; just, charitable, generous. In short, because in every Instance they are averse to the Principles of the *New Interest*, and are therefore the proper Marks at which we ought to point all our Engines of *Scandal* and *Defamation*.

Catechist. My good Son, Thou hast well answer'd all the Questions which have been propos'd to Thee. Nothing now remains, but that you hold yourself in Readiness to attend our next *Visitation* at the *Split-Crow*, where I shall present you to *Bishop Boots*, to be confirm'd by him.

